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**Humanities captions**

**Catal Huyuk was in the Neolithic age/era. The founder of the crops was wheat, barely, peas, and lentil. The founders of some animals were goats, pigs, cattle, and sheep. This was one of the world’s first cities. Imagine having a house made of thick brick and plaster. The beds were reed mat beds were built into the walls. Clay pots in storage held surpluses of wheat. Cattle provided large amounts of meats and milk. Wheat turned into flour for bread. People made tools, bricks, and pots. People wove clothes and jewelry. Copper was fashioned into beads, pins and rings. Looms were used to make sheep wool into cloth.**

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**Border Cave was on the side of a cliff. It overlooked a grassy river valley dotted with buffalo- thorn trees and other shrubs. Hunters that traveled in groups camped at Border cave and hunted the eland. Since it was a cliff, the hunters could watch over all the animals before and hunting. Research shows how the hunters had lined the cold ground with grass for bedding. Arrows were also found in the cave for hunting.**

**Great Rift Valley is in the African country of Tanzania, a series of valleys cuts deeply through the surrounding plains. They are called the Great Rift Valley. There are dried lake bottoms from millions of years ago. In the ancient lakebeds, archeologists have found remains that may be 2 million years old. There were also tools that may have been the human’s first tools. Stones were shaped until they had an edge with knife liked sharpness. They could cut through the hides of animals and chop through wood. Stone tools were the most common tools until 12,000 years ago. The period of time when people used simple stone tools is called Old Stone Age or Paleolithic.**

**Mezerich Ukraine: Four huts built about 15,000 years ago from Mammoth bones and tusks. Only round foundations remain. The foundation itself contains the mandibles of more than 100 mammoths. It may have been an attempt to mark the land with distinctive architecture. A series of pits dug into the permafrost near the huts may have served as freezers where meat could be stored indefinitely a permanent food supply.**

**Czech Republic Towns:**